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Species III: FIGS. 5 and 6, drawn to a support assembly with a pair of support arms and a pivot joint comprising an elongate protuberance with a pin that has radially extending slots to receive the protuberance.

The Examiner asserts that the application contains claims directed to patentably distinct species, and that there would be a serious burden on the Examiner if restriction were not required. Applicants respectfully disagree.

Specifically, while Applicants concede that Species I is patentably distinct from Species II and III, Applicants submit that Species II and III are directed to common features that permit examination of these Species together. In particular, Species II and III are both directed to monitor supports. Species II and III are related in that each includes the following features:

- at least one support arm 3;
- a support plate 8;
- boss 9/protuberance 40;
- a spherical bearing 20; and
- a strap 25.

Except for minor differences, the construction of the supports shown in FIG. 4 and in FIGS. 5 and 6 are generally the same. Certainly, the common features of both embodiments permit examination of the claims together without resulting in any undue burden on the Examiner.

III. Applicants Elect Species II for Examination

Notwithstanding the above traversal of the restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect Species II for examination. Claims 10-14 are generic, and claims 15-17 are directed to the embodiment disclosed in FIG. 4.